

PICS Bags: Chemical-free Crop Storage



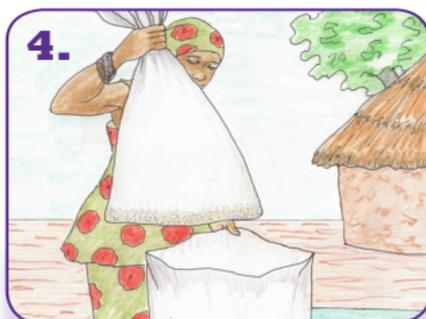
Buy PICS bags from approved vendors



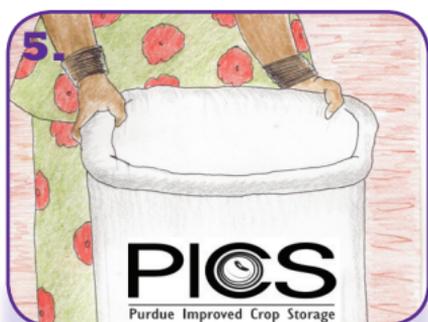
Make sure the grain you are storing is dry and clean (has no debris)



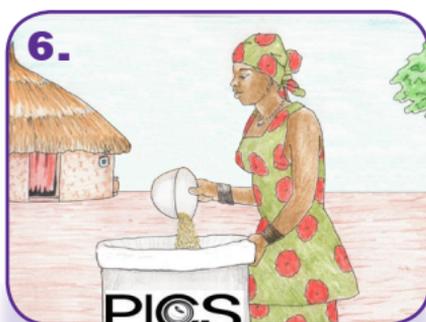
Check the two inner liners for holes or tears (don't use defective liners)



Pour a small amount of grain into the first liner, then fit it inside the second liner

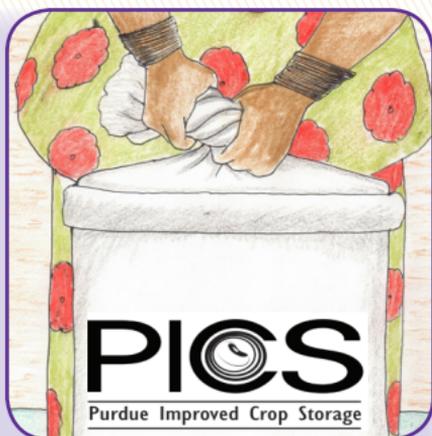
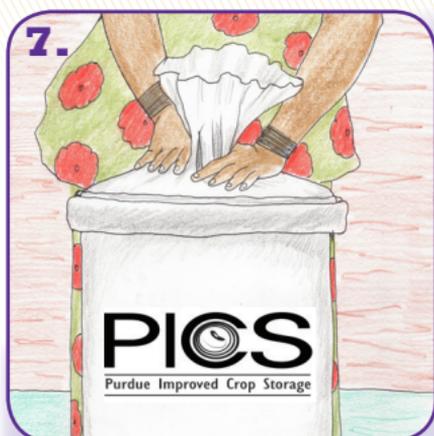


Insert the two liners into the woven bag. Fold over the tops of all three bags together



Fill the bag with grain while shaking gently to avoid air pockets; make sure a lip remains for tying

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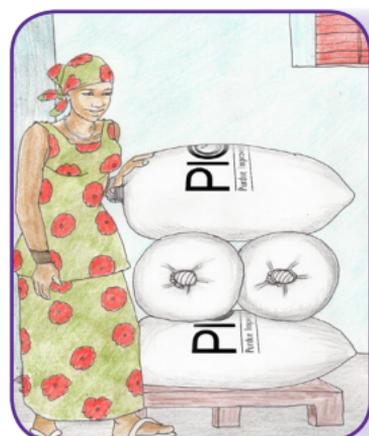
Pack the grain tightly to remove air, then twist the lip gently. Fold it over and tie using a string or cord. Tie each of the three bags separately



Step 1:
Inner bag first

Step 2:
Middle bag next

Step 3:
Outer bag last



Recommendations

- Don't store PICS bags in direct sunlight or extreme heat
- Use elevated platforms to keep the bags off the ground
- Don't pile PICS bags against walls to facilitate stock inspections
- Don't store PICS bags in the same area with heavily infested grain

"PICS bag - Improves market value and food security"

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